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‘We can get to zero deaths,’ says advocate

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Co-ordinated effort needed to attain goal, says Vision Zero

Kevin Maimann
Metro | Edmonton

A traffic safety advocate is urging the city to act on its Vision Zero policy.

Jeff Calibaba, chief operating officer of Alberta Traffic Supply, said the policy's goal of eliminating pedestrian fatalities is attainable by co-ordinating effort between politicians, emergency responders and private industry.

“A lot of people think it's not achievable, but we can get to zero deaths if we take the time to put in the proper engineering of roads and the proper traffic safety products, following the laws through enforcement,” Cali-

baba told a crowd at the International Conference on Urban Traffic Safety, being held in Edmonton Wednesday.

Calibaba's 19-year-old nephew was crushed to death under the wheels of a semi truck while he walked on a street, and Calibaba himself was in a severe car accident when he stopped for a pedestrian and was hit from behind by a distracted driver.

Edmonton has seen 10 traffic fatalities so far in 2016.

Vision Zero was hatched in Sweden in 1997 and Edmonton became the first Canadian city to adopt it in 2015.

But several critics of the city's dedication to the policy recently told Metro they see “nothing solid” behind Vision Zero.

The city's office of traffic safety executive director Gerry Shimko said funds have been allocated for Vision Zero. “It's just been capacity issues and timing issues ... but that will start flowing here in the next few months,” he said.

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City eyeing Juno bid

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Edmonton wants a shot at showcasing art and culture



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Edmonton has set its eyes on hosting the Junos in 2018.

Candice Stasynec, executive director of Edmonton Events, confirmed the city is looking at what it would take to bring the national music awards to the city, which last hosted them in 2004.

"We're interested in the Junos as we are in a number of events," she said.

Stasynec said the Junos are more than just the televised award ceremony and celebrate the local arts and culture scene.

"It's a great opportunity to rally the community and have the community participate," she said. "It's just a really positive event and puts us on a national stage in a major way."

The city is looking at the bid requirements now, Stasynec said, and is working with members of the city's music community, as well as the Oilers Entertainment Group, because Rogers Place would be a likely venue for the award show.

Coun. Scott McKeen said Calgary's recent event, which included not just the main awards but several community events, makes him confident Edmonton



The Weeknd performs at the Junos in Calgary earlier this month. Edmonton is looking at hosting the awards in 2018. CANDICE WARD/FOR METRO

could do a great job.

"I am sure Edmonton would do even better in using the Junos as a platform for many, many other events around live music," he said.

McKeen said it's an opportunity to showcase the city's art scene.

"We have an extremely strong live music scene in Edmonton and it's underappreciated nationally, but it's also underappreciated locally," he said.



It's just a really positive event and puts us on a national stage in a major way. Candice Stasynec

The cost of hosting the event is not yet known and a spokesperson for the Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences, who oversee the event, said each bid is different.

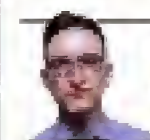
McKeen said he would have to now what the numbers break

down to, but he hopes there would be a lot of interest from the Oilers to put the new arena front and centre.

"It will be a hell of an opportunity to showcase Rogers Place to people who may not be hockey fans."

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES

Expert offers ways to help possible addicts



Kevin Maimann
Metro | Edmonton

Anyone can overdose on hard drugs, but there are certain factors that increase the risk of death.

In light of Alberta's recent synthetic opioid scare, which has claimed hundreds of lives, we spoke with Alberta Health Services medical health officer Nick Etches to find out what you need to know if you know someone using and not seeking treatment.

Tolerance can be lost

People most at risk of overdose are "opioid naive individuals" who have not used before, Etches said.

But when users get clean they lose the tolerance they've built up. A relapse can be especially dangerous if the user is not on a medication like methadone.

"If they go back to using the same amount of drug they used before, which many do, that quite reliably results in overdose," Etches said.

The buddy system

Someone should be with someone using drugs to ensure their safety. "They should not use these drugs alone in case they overdose," Etches said.

He added those who know users should push them to have a take-home naloxone kit and get training on how to respond to an overdose.

The 'chocolate chip cookie effect'

Some pills might contain almost none of what it is sold as, while others might have too much.

Etches encouraged those who know someone using to push them to try small portions to confirm how powerful the drug they bought is to avoid overdose.



A naloxone kit, which can save lives for those at risk of opioid overdose. METRO FILE

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PROVINCE

No photo-radar rule changes — this week



Alex Boyd
Metro | Edmonton

The Alberta government says rumours it could be introducing changes to photo radar fines — which many in the legal system were told were coming as early as Monday — are the result of a “miscommunication.”

Michelle Davio, a spokesperson for Alberta Justice and

Solicitor General, said the government is “looking at the issue” but doesn’t have a timeline.

Metro spoke with six sources this week who had all heard the same thing — that as of Monday, rules were changing to mean there would be no reductions in fines for photo-radar tickets.

Right now, a driver issued a photo-radar ticket can go to a first appearance prosecutor to

try and get a reduction in the fine, after which they either pay or get a court date.

But Randy Semeniuk, owner of Got a ticket? Fight it! said he was told by Edmonton court employees there would be “zero reductions” as of next week, meaning people either had to pay up or go to court.

Lawyer Lynn Marie Rideout said she was told the same thing by a court employee.

“I was there dealing with

a photo-radar ticket and she said, ‘Yes I can deal with this one today but as of May 2, we are no longer reducing photo radar tickets in Edmonton — people will either have to pay them as they are, or set them for trial.’”

Davio said wires got crossed. “There was never an approved plan to go forward on Monday,” she said.

Davio did not disclose what future plans might entail.

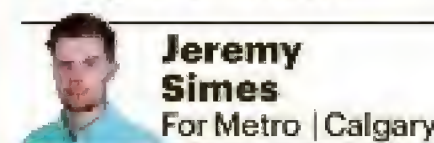


Rates of gonorrhea and syphilis are at “outbreak” levels in Alberta, according to officials. iStock

‘Hook-up’ culture adds to STIs: Prof

PUBLIC HEALTH

Move away from relationships may be factor



Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

The clap gap, once said to be closing between Alberta’s largest cities, has spread wide open since the government announced the province is facing an STI outbreak.

Chlamydia rates continue to climb in the Calgary health zone, according to new data, in particular in the 20-to-24 age range, which saw 1,877.4 cases per 100,000 people in 2015, up 5 per cent from 1785.5 in 2014.

The Edmonton zone, which was once seeing a reduction in chlamydia, saw its rates spike last year in the 20-to-24 age range. In 2015, the capital city had 2,232.1 cases per 100,000 people, up 20 per cent from

1,853.7 in 2014.

Alberta Health largely blamed the rise in social media hook-up sites and apps for the “dramatic” increase in STI rates.

Caroline McDonald-Harker, sociology and anthropology professor at Mount Royal University, said the rise of STI is due to shift in attitudes in dating and sexual intimacy, where there’s no desire for romantic relationships.

“We’re living in a hook-up culture,” she said.

“It’s not a lack of education from formal institutions. I personally think it’s because we’re bombarded with highly sexual content, and that’s overtaking all this educational information we’re learning.”

Along with chlamydia, gonorrhea rates saw substantial increases in the 20-to-24 age range in both cit-

ies. Calgary’s gonorrhea rate jumped to 138.8 per 100,000 people (from 101.6 in 2014), while Edmonton’s skyrocketed to 480.4 (210.7 in 2014).

20%

Increase in cases of chlamydia among 20-24-year-olds in Edmonton in 2015 over 2014. ALBERTA HEALTH



We’re bombarded with highly sexual content, and that’s overtaking all this educational information. Caroline McDonald-Harker

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Regulator opens inquiry into naturopath doctor

EZEKIEL STEPHAN

Physician involved in trial facing investigation

An Alberta regulatory group is investigating a complaint about a naturopathic doctor involved in the case of a toddler who died of meningitis.

A jury in Lethbridge convicted David and Collet Stephan on Tuesday of failing to provide the necessities of life for their 19-month-old son Ezekiel.

Court heard the couple thought the boy had croup or flu and treated him for 2-1/2 weeks with home remedies, even though a family friend who was a nurse told them she thought Ezekiel had meningitis.

Collet Stephan also took the boy to a naturopathic clinic and picked up an echinacea mixture for the child, although there was conflicting evidence about whether the naturopathic doctor talked to her.

A letter of concern about the conduct of Tracey Tannis, with the names of 43 medical doctors attached, was sent to the College of Naturopathic Doctors of Alberta in March.

"We are a group of Canadian physicians and surgeons who have been watching the trial of Collet and David Stephan over the past few weeks and, while we are moved by the senseless tragedy of Ezekiel's death, we are also deeply concerned about the conduct of the registered naturo-



David Stephan and his wife Collet Stephan leave the courthouse on Tuesday in Lethbridge. The Stepans are charged with failing to provide the necessities of life to 19-month-old Ezekiel in 2012. DAVID ROSSITER/THE CANADIAN PRESS

“If there’s even a suspicion of malpractice it behooves the college to investigate. Dr. Michelle Cohen

path involved in his care,” said the letter.

The college responded in a letter that says Tannis is to be investigated under the province's Health Professions Act.

Kristen Tanaka with the college wrote in the letter that she will review the investigation, then “either dismiss the complaint or refer the matter to the hearings director for a hearing before the hearing tribunal.”

Tannis did not respond to a phone message and declined an in-person request at her Lethbridge clinic for an interview.

She testified during the trial that she was with a patient when a clinic worker interrupted to tell her a mother was on the phone asking about a treatment for meningitis. She said she followed the employee back to the phone.

“You need to tell the lady to take the child to emergency right

away,” Tannis said she told the worker.

Tannis told the jury she remained by the phone long enough to confirm the message was relayed. She said she never met the mother.

Dr. Michelle Cohen of Brighton, Ont., who crafted the letter of complaint about Tannis, said another 30 physicians asked this week to have their names added.

“There’s a couple of different stories there,” she said Wednesday. “If there’s even a suspicion of malpractice, it behooves the college to investigate that.”

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IN BRIEF

Council moves to fix alleys

Councillors are moving ahead with plans to charge all Edmontonians to repair back alleys, whether you have one or not.

On Thursday, they voted to include a plan for the back laneways, which would spend \$18 million per year for the next 30 years, in their fall budget discussions.

The city has tried pilot programs where some of the expense for improving lanes is borne by residents who back onto them, but city administration told council those programs have been unreliable and difficult to manage. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

Police investigate death

Homicide detectives are investigating after a woman was found dead in west Edmonton Wednesday.

Police found the woman's body after responding to a call from Emergency Medical Services shortly after 2 a.m. at a home near 103 Avenue and 156 Street.

Police say the death is considered suspicious and are asking anyone with information to call EPS at 780-423-4567 or contact Crime Stoppers.

If deemed a homicide, it would mark the 20th in Edmonton this year. METRO

LABOUR

Minister to attend mourning ceremony

Alberta's largest union is to have an unusual guest at its ceremony to honour workers killed or injured on the job.

The Alberta Union of Provincial Employees says for the first time ever the province's labour minister will attend its annual day of mourning service Thursday.

Union president Guy Smith



Guy Smith METRO FILE

said having Minister Christina Gray speak at the event indicates the NDP wants to make meaningful improvements to workplace safety.

Smith said the union hopes that will include making it easier for employees such as social workers, hospital emergency room staff and correctional officers to get help for post-traumatic stress disorder.

“We are seeing many more members coming forward with these psychological issues. Really, what we need to see is changes to law and legislation that really supports and protects workers who are suffering from PTSD,” Smith said Wednesday.

“By having it recognized formally in legislation — I think that might open the door to people coming forward more. A lot of people suffer in silence.”

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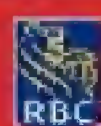
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Alison McMahon, chair of the Edmonton chapter of Women Grow, a group that works to provide a safe space for women in the cannabis industry. KEVIN TUONG/FOR METRO

Women join 'green rush'

CANNABIS

Group to aid in cultivation, sales, advocacy and medicine



Kevin Maimann
Metro | Edmonton

Local women are making space for themselves in the cannabis industry.

Women Grow, a North America-wide network that supports female leaders and entrepreneurs in the sector — which could be on the cusp of legality — is gearing up to launch its Edmonton branch next month.

"Like a lot of industries, the cannabis industry is one that has traditionally been dominated by men in terms of leadership," said Edmonton chair Alison McMahon, who first took up the movement because a close family member holds a medical cannabis prescription.

McMahon said gender barriers in the cannabis industry are similar to other sectors. Many technical and agricultural roles are traditionally male dominated.

Even the plant's long-standing prohibition also favours

men, she said.

"I think the roots in the criminal sector, and some of the civil disobedience movement that has led us to where we are today, tends to be more dominated by men than by women," McMahon said.

Women Grow supports women in all corners of the industry — including cultivation, sales, advocacy, investment, medicine and marketing — through networking events and conferences.

While the events focus on women, the group also welcomes men who see the value of involving women in their organizations and partnering with women-owned businesses.

Women Grow will launch in Edmonton with a May 5 event at Latitude 53, featuring speaker Dr. John Vidmar, the chief operating officer of NGK Biologix, a company seeking approval from Health Canada to be a licensed pot producer.

Edmonton women are showing a lot of interest — tickets are already 75 per cent sold.

"This has been called the green rush ... There's a huge upside here for our economy and for jobs," McMahon said. "If we can be a catalyst for some of those things in the city and the province, that's super exciting."



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Alison McMahon

SURVEY

City investigates which services to cut



Ryan Tumilty
Metro | Edmonton

The city's top-down review of everything it does is beginning with a look at snow.

The full service review the city committed to last fall aims to look at every service the city operates and weigh whether it is worth continuing.

The transportation department was selected to be one of

the first to go through the full review, which is expected to take three years to run through all city services.

"Council has basically said we are going to look at everything the city does," said Domenic Spatafora, superintendent with roadway maintenance.

For the snow clearing program it means asking residents how often, how quickly and how thoroughly they want snow removed from roadways.

As the first step in the process, the department has put a survey asking people about a wide range of options including whether people would tolerate higher snow packs in neighbourhoods or if they would welcome a parking ban to improve service.

The options range from the status quo to much reduced service to even improved services like clearing all sidewalks, which is now a homeowner responsibility.

Spatafora said they do want to see if they can trim from the budget, but more importantly they want to see if they're spending money in the right places.

"We're also asking citizens if we are delivering the services that they want. We want to make sure the dollars are delivering services that people value."

In addition to the survey, Spatafora said the city will do open houses and a citizen jury concept to look at the issue.

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City gears up for LRT debate

INFRASTRUCTURE

Councillors get fractious in discussion on expansion



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In a preview of the battle to come, councillors asked pointed questions Wednesday on expansion plans for the LRT wanting to know why projects in their ward weren't higher on the city's priority list.

A report from city staff is recommending five top priorities for the future LRT construction.

The Valley Line from downtown to Lewis Farms is at the top of the list with an extension of the Metro Line into Blatchford second.

Third on the list is an extension from Century Park to Ellerslie, followed by a proposed downtown circulator, connecting the University of Alberta to Bonnie Doon through Old Strathcona.



A train arrives at Bay Enterprise station Wednesday. Council has to decide where the next LRT line will go in a debate next week. METRO FILE

Fifth on the current list of priorities is the extension of the Metro Line from Blatchford out to Castledowns.

Coun. Bev Esslinger, who represents the area, asked the city why it wouldn't bring the LRT to all corners of the city first, before expanding.

“I guess I haven't screamed loud enough.”

Coun. Tony Caterina

“Don't you think equity to citizens of Edmonton and having lines into all quadrants would be a factor?” She asked.

Coun. Dave Loken said council wanted to avoid turning this into a “turf war,” but that was hard to do when a major area of the city would go unserved.

“We're trying not to do that, but it's very tough to do that when my part of the city is last on the list,” he said.

Coun. Tony Caterina questioned why administration wasn't targeting money to renew stations on the existing parts of the line.

“I guess I haven't screamed loud enough for the last nine years,” he said.

At Thursday's committee meeting councillors passed on debating the issue, instead asking questions, before next week's full council meeting.

Mayor Don Iveson, the only member of council elected city-wide, said he believes there is agreement to build the west section of the Valley Line next.

“I hope we will be able to get consensus on that at council next week, but I am working through that with all members of council,” he said.

If there is agreement on the West Extension Iveson said council could dedicate resources just to planning the next few lines and hold off on a decision about what to build next until more information is available.

SPORTS SCHOOL

FC Barca opens academy



Alex Boyd
Metro | Edmonton

Disciples of Messi, Xavi and Creus can now hone their soccer skills with one of the best known clubs in the world.

FC Barcelona officially opened their academy in Spruce Grove Monday, making it one of two new Canadian schools devoted to teaching the club's methods to players under the age of 16.

According to manager Victor Berenguer, who moved from Spain to oversee logistics at the new club, 145 kids of various ages are currently registered but the club is looking for more.

He said there are no tryouts but players are evaluated to make sure they're in the right group.

“If a kid is interested in the program, we invite the player to come, join us and play with the team and we assess them.”

He said Edmonton was chosen after they held camps here.

“There are a lot of kids who are interested in soccer, so I think the soccer will improve here.”

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IN BRIEF

Canada pledges to send more aid to Ecuador

Canada is contributing another \$900,000 to earthquake-stricken Ecuador but has decided against sending the Disaster Assistance Response Team.

The latest donation brings Canadian assistance to Ecuador to \$2 million.

The government has also contributed to sending a Canadian Red Cross field hospital to help. Global Affairs says DART evaluated the situation and decided it was not needed.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Rethink Saudi deal: Critics

The Liberal government must rethink its \$15-billion arms deal with Saudi Arabia, given the deteriorating human-rights situation, a group of peace and human-rights organizations urged.

Opponents of the sale of Canadian-made light armoured vehicles in the Middle East say it flies in the face of Justin Trudeau's promise to reinvigorate Canada's standing on human-rights issues around the world. THE CANADIAN PRESS

FINANCE

Corporate use of tax havens rises

Canadian corporations and individuals quadrupled the amount of money they transferred into tax havens last year, pouring almost \$40 billion into the tropical islands and European duchies that shield funds from Canadian taxes, newly released statistics show.

It was one of the biggest years ever for "investment" in tax havens — more than four times greater than the \$9 billion sent offshore in 2014. The total amount of wealth held in the 10 most popular tax havens now sits at \$270 billion.

"The problem is bigger than it has ever been," said Dennis Howlett, executive director of Canadians for Tax Fairness, which took foreign direct investment numbers from Statistics Canada to calculate the use of tax havens.

In 2015, \$13 billion went to the Cayman Islands, \$9 billion to Barbados and nearly \$8 billion to the Bahamas,

according to the statistics. Money sent to Switzerland shot up by 58 per cent over the previous year.

"And you have to remember, this is just the money that's been declared," said Howlett.

\$270 billion

The total amount of Canadian wealth held in the 10 most popular tax havens

The recent Panama Papers investigations carried out by the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists laid

bare the shady world of offshore tax havens. Dozens of reports have detailed how illicit money mingles with cash kept out of the reach of tax collectors in a network of shell companies that hide their owners' true identities.

Using international estimates, Howlett says there could be an additional \$100 billion in Canadian money stashed in undeclared — and thus illegal — offshore bank accounts.

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These family photos show Reet Jurvetson, aged 18. Los Angeles police say they're investigating whether the young woman, found stabbed more than 100 times in 1969, is connected to the Manson family killings. CONTRIBUTED/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

'Little sister was savagely killed'

REET JURVETSON

Canadian was dumped near site of Manson killings

For decades, she was known simply as Jane Doe No. 59 — an unidentified body dumped with 150 stab wounds in Los Angeles in 1969 near the site of several killings perpetrated by the notorious Manson family.

On Wednesday, a Canadian connection was confirmed in the 47-year-old cold case when the murdered woman was identified as Reet Silvia Jurvetson, a 19-year-old Montreal resident who'd gone to Los Angeles that year.

"Jane Doe No. 59 now has a name," Anne Jurvetson, Reet's sister and the last living member of her immediate family, said in a statement. "She had one all along, but

no one knew."

Jurvetson said she's hopeful the news will help provide authorities with leads or fresh information.

"My little sister was savagely killed," the Quebec woman wrote in a four-page testimonial dated April 18.

Anne, now 73, had been in contact with the LAPD since 2015, when Reet's friends

metres from the site of several Manson family murders long fuelled speculation that Jurvetson's case was connected.

Los Angeles police Det. Luis Rivera told People Magazine, which broke the story, investigators can't rule out the Manson family's involvement in the killing.

Charles Manson achieved notoriety in 1969 as the leader

"Jane Doe No. 59 now has a name. She had one all along, but no one knew. Anne Jurvetson"

saw a post-mortem picture, noticed a resemblance and alerted her.

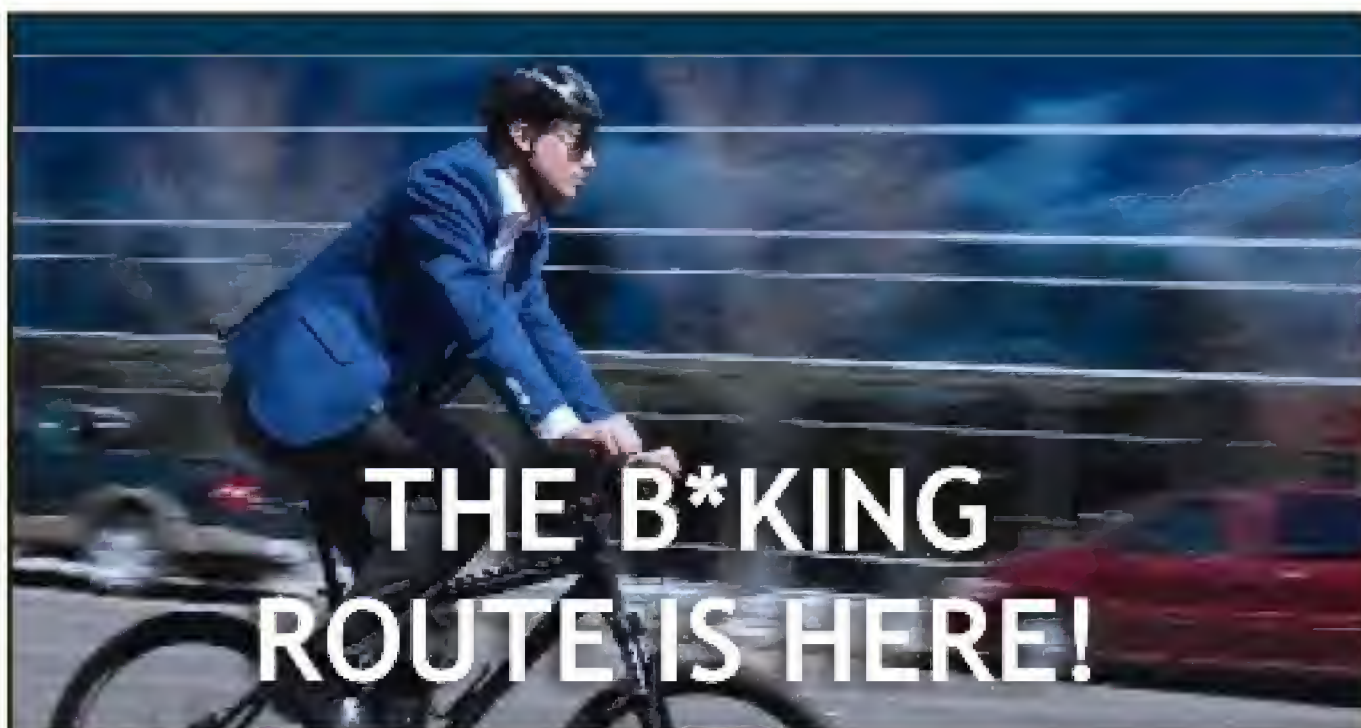
A DNA match positively identified Jurvetson as Jane Doe No. 59, whose corpse was found Nov. 16, 1969 by a bird-watcher in dense brush off the iconic Mulholland Drive. She had been stabbed 150 times and didn't have identification.

But the location and timing of the killing just a few kilo-

of a "family" of young killers who terrified Los Angeles. He was convicted of killing seven people, including pregnant actress Sharon Tate, the wife of director Roman Polanski.

Rivera told The Canadian Press there is nothing firm as of yet that would allow authorities to connect the slaying to the Manson clan.

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PHILIPPINES

Experts seek to identify body

Police forensic experts are trying to determine if the headless body of a Caucasian man that was found by villagers in the southern Philippines was that of a Canadian hostage who was beheaded by Muslim militants earlier this week.

John Ridsdel, 68, was beheaded after the Abu Sayyaf did not receive a large ransom it had demanded by a Monday deadline.

Fellow Canadian Robert Hall, a Norwegian and a Filipino woman who were kidnapped with Ridsdel in September are still being held by the militants, along with about 20 other foreign hostages.

President Benigno Aquino III says that the Abu Sayyaf militants who beheaded Ridsdel may have plotted to kill him and kidnap boxing star Manny Pacquiao.

Aquino says the militants also wanted to explode bombs in metropolitan Manila to try to get funding from Daesh but the plans were uncovered and troops have reduced the group's ability to inflict harm. Aquino, whose six-year term ends in June, says he sent a letter expressing condolences to Ridsdel's family, describing his death as appalling.

He vowed "to devote all my energies" to ensure that the extremists would be "at the very least ... a very seriously degraded problem" for his successor.

While he has forged a peace pact with a larger Muslim rebel group, Aquino said there is no possibility of engaging in talks with the brutal Abu Sayyaf.

"We have always believed in the power of dialogue, development and positive engagement over arms," Aquino said. But he said of the Abu Sayyaf, "You have chosen only the language of force and we will speak to you only in that language."

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Trump struggles to explain 'America first' foreign policy

U.S. ELECTION

Front-runner goes for sober tone to appear presidential

Donald Trump strained to lay out a clear vision of his "America first" foreign policy on Wednesday, vowing to substitute hard-headed realism for what he called a post-Cold War era replete with U.S. national security failures.

Yet the Republican presidential front-runner outlined no strategy for how he'd make the

United States at the same time a "consistent" and "unpredictable" force in the world. And he didn't appear to allay the concerns of U.S. and international critics — Republicans at home as well as Democrats — who see him as unfit for the responsibilities of commander in chief.

"America first" will be the major and overriding theme of my administration," Trump declared, echoing motifs from his campaign that is now close to sealing the GOP nomination.

Delivering his lines in a more sober, restrained manner than usual to cast himself as presidential material, the billionaire businessman and reality TV star

toned down or omitted several of his most explosive — and oft-repeated — barbs. He made no reference to forcing Mexico to pay for a wall across the nation's Southern border.

Instead, Trump took aim at President Barack Obama's embrace of an Iran nuclear agreement, Obama's failure to eliminate Daesh and other examples of what he termed a foreign policy of "randomness" and "chaos." His criticism extended to Republicans, too, assailing President George W. Bush for the Iraq war.

"My foreign policy will always put the interests of the American people and American security above all else," he said.

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Meanwhile, Republican presidential candidate Ted Cruz tapped former technology executive Carly Fiorina — a woman who he said has repeatedly "shattered glass ceilings" — to serve as his running mate.

The U.S. approach to fighting Daesh will be "strong" under a Trump administration, he vowed, offering no indication of troop levels he might authorize. He intends to ease tensions with

Russia while negotiating "from a position of strength," but he wouldn't say what that means for U.S. sanctions punishing Moscow for annexing Ukrainian territory. He said he'd balance America's massive commercial deficit with China "quickly," without a word about tariff policy or existing trade agreements.

Trump also contradicted his own broad-brush approach to foreign policy. He said at one point that the best way to achieve his goals was through "disciplined, deliberate and consistent" policy. Later, however, he exhorted the nation to "be more unpredictable" in how it combats enemies.

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MIGRANT CRISIS

Greece builds more camps as deportations continue

Migrants and refugees are depicted in these photos at a makeshift camp at the Greek-Macedonian border near the village of Idomeni on Wednesday.

Greece continues to send migrants to Turkey as part of a European Union-Turkey agreement aiming to stop the flow of refugees and migrants across the Aegean to Europe's more prosperous heartland.

Nearly 54,000 people are stranded in Greece after Europe closed its land borders to the migration flow last month. Greece said Wednesday it would construct a further four camps for them, in an effort to gradually clear an impromptu camp.

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TERRORISM

Paris-attacks suspect extradited to France to face charges



Salah Abdeslam AFP/GETTY

The lone known surviving suspect in the Paris attacks was returned Wednesday to the city where Daesh unleashed a night of mayhem and charged with a host of terrorism offences, raising hopes that he may be able to help French investigators trace the pathways of extremists thought to be hiding out in Europe.

Salah Abdeslam was whisked in secretly by helicopter after being transferred from the prison

cell in Belgium where he had been held since his capture last month. His lawyer, Frank Berton, described a "muscular operation" that had caught even the attorney by surprise, causing him to rush to join his client at Paris' Palace of Justice.

The 26-year-old faces preliminary charges of participating in a terrorist organization, terrorist murders and attempted murders, attempted terrorist murders of public officials, hostage-taking,

and possessing weapons and explosives, French prosecutors said in a statement.

Berton said Abdeslam was being sent to Fleury-Merogis, a massive, high-security prison about 30 kilometres south of Paris, where he will be held in isolation in a special camera-equipped cell until his next hearing on May 20. French Justice Minister Jean-Jacques Urvoas said earlier that Abdeslam would be placed in isolation, watched

by guards specially trained to deal with "people reputed to be dangerous."

The return of the last known survivor of the team that carried out the Nov. 13 attacks may help investigators untangle some of the still-unresolved questions about the assault, which claimed 130 lives at cafes, a music hall and a sports stadium. Daesh claimed responsibility for the carnage.

Berton told reporters Wednes-

day that his client "volunteered that he would explain himself at some later date."

Abdeslam, a French citizen of Moroccan origin, spent four months on the run following the attacks and a month in Belgian custody after being tackled by heavily armed police outside his hideout in the Mollenbeek neighbourhood of Brussels.

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Models walk the runway at the Moose Knuckles Korea Launching Show at SongEun Art Space on August 30, 2013 in Seoul. GETTY IMAGES

Apparel may not be 'made in Canada'

RETAIL

Moose Knuckles in hot water with Competition Bureau

The CEO of the "Canadian" Moose Knuckles apparel company said Wednesday that not all their parkas are made in Canada, after the Competition Bureau filed an application to have them brought before a tribunal for falsely marketing the brand.

"We make some of our parkas in Canada and some in other countries," said Ayal Twik in an email.

"The coats are clearly marked. One coat would say 'made in Canada' on the content label if it was made in Canada and another would say 'made in Vietnam' if it was made in Vietnam.

"I believe we are very clear on where our goods are made by putting in a country of origin tags on our coats, and listing them on our website. Many Canadian companies are proud to be Canadian and advertise that fact even if they do not make their goods in Canada," wrote Twik.

Moose Knuckles winter coats retail on-line and in specialty stores for \$600 and up.

The brand was in the news

in November, when Sophie Gregoire Trudeau, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's wife, wore one of its red-and-black plaid jackets in London.

"The Bureau is seeking an end to what it believes to be false or misleading 'made in Canada' representations," according to a release from the Competition Bureau.

The Moose Knuckles parkas are mostly manufactured in Vietnam and elsewhere in Asia, according to the Bureau, which filed an application with the tribunal on Wednesday.

Only the finishing touches, such as adding the trim, zippers and snaps are done in Canada, according to the Bureau. The bureau is seeking a penalty of \$4-million for the company and unspecified compensation for consumers.

The bureau launched an investigation following a complaint, spokesperson Phil Norris confirmed.

He would not say whether it was a consumer or a competitor.

The application will be considered by the Competition Tribunal, which is essentially a court for competition matters. Each side will present its case and evidence will be reviewed, said Norris. He could not say how long that might take.

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FOOD

More chicken in your McNugget

Like the indestructible Twinkie, Chicken McNuggets are practically a culinary punchline, a symbol of hyper-processed fast food with a list of ingredients that reads like a chemistry exam. But now McDonald's wants to take at least some of the mystery substances out.

The world's biggest hamburger chain says it is testing a version without artificial preservatives.

It's the latest move by McDonald's to try to catch up with changing tastes and turn around its business.

The new McNugget recipe is "simpler," and "parents can feel good" about it, the company said.

While McDonald's did not give full details about what is or isn't in the test recipe, it said the new McNuggets do not have sodium phosphates.

Also, the McNuggets will not be fried in oil containing the artificial preservative TBHQ.

Chicken McNuggets have become a mocked symbol of heavily processed fast food since they were introduced in the 1980s.

The breaded and fried nuggets

are made of ground-up chicken rather than intact chunks of meat and are delivered to stores frozen.


The company said it began testing the new recipe in about 140 stores in Oregon and Washington in March. The test was first reported by Crain's Chicago Business.

As people pay closer attention to food labels, companies across the food and drink industry have adjusted recipes to remove ingredients that may sound unappetizing.


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McDonald's said it began testing the recipe in Oregon and Washington. iStock



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PIPELINES

Trudeau takes on critics

The prime minister pushed back Wednesday at federal Conservatives critical of his position on pipelines as he visited Saskatchewan where he was to meet with one of his sharpest critics.

Low energy prices are battering the province's economy and have Premier Brad Wall's government in the red, but Justin Trudeau opted to repeat his often-used line that the Conservatives had years to build a pipeline while in government and couldn't get it done.

Trudeau said getting resources to market is a key responsibility of the federal government and the best way to get a pipeline built is to co-operate with communities and First Nations along the route and to respect their concerns.

"I have been crystal clear for years now on pipelines. One of the fundamental responsibilities of any Canadian prime minister — and this goes back centuries, from grain on railroads to fish and fur — is to get Canadian resources to international markets," Trudeau said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

FIRST NATIONS

Minister talks investment

Canada's finance minister has wrapped up a visit to the West Coast by stressing the importance of the Liberal government's investments in indigenous peoples across the country.

In a speech to the Greater Vancouver Board of Trade on Wednesday, Bill Morneau repeatedly used the term "completely unacceptable" to describe the prevalence of unclean drinking water on First Nations reserves, and the poor education opportunities and

low labour force-participation rates of indigenous people in Canada.

Morneau said the federal government's move to invest \$8.4 billion in the country's aboriginal population over the next five years will profoundly change the situation for what he described as the fastest-growing segment of the Canadian population.

"This is about better graduation rates, more opportunity, better workforce participation,"

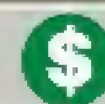
he told a sold-out crowd in downtown Vancouver.

Morneau emphasized the importance of strategic investments in addressing the imminent predicament posed by Canada's aging labour force.

"We're facing a real challenge in this country with demographics," he said. "So if we can in any way increase workforce participation, that helps us to deal with that very real challenge."

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EMMA TEITEL ON THE DANGERS OF UBER

If you're a young woman who travels alone, the argument that one form of transportation is disproportionately more dangerous than another is unconvincing.



Two years ago, when I downloaded Uber, the American ridesharing service that's uprooting conventional transportation one complimentary water bottle at a time, safety was not at the top of my mind.

Uber was a godsend that ferried me to and from bars and appointments quickly and cheaply in the dead of Canadian winter.

But safety was — and still is — at the top of someone else's mind: my mother's.

To this day, every time I open the app in her presence, she wants to know: "Why do you trust Uber?" "And what is UberX, anyway?"

I try to explain that the latter is not a naughty version of the former (it's just cheaper) but my mom's mistrust of the ride-sharing service remains intact.

"Who knows who is driving you around?" she asks.

To which, I usually respond: "Actually, I do. His name is Vlad. He drives a Toyota Camry."

But she's adamant: "Take a taxi. I'll pay for it."

(I have a theory that conventional cabs have Uber-wary moms to thank for at least 15 per cent of their current business).

The question is: are Uber-wary moms needlessly paranoid or are they actually right to shun the New Lift Order?

Is there something uniquely dangerous about UberX, particularly for women? Lately, to my mom's credit, it

appears there is.

On Tuesday, police in York Region, outside of Toronto, announced that they are investigating an alleged assault associated with the service; a woman said an Uber driver sexually assaulted her.

This allegation is not an anomaly; dozens have been reported across North Amer-

ica in recent years. In September, a 25-year-old woman in Toronto alleged that her driver assaulted her. In Los Angeles this year, a man was arrested after he allegedly posed as an Uber driver, lured a woman into his car and sexually assaulted her.



Among the charges levelled at Uber is that it's unsafe for women. Well, what form of transportation isn't? GETTY IMAGES

death in one evening, picking up and delivering fares in between killings.

But I'm not convinced, despite prophecies of doom from a terrified cab industry, that Uber is the spawn of transit Satan.

There is plenty wrong with the service — a culture of secrecy around its safety re-

cord and, according to many of its employees, a history of underpaying drivers.

But almost everything that Uber has been accused of safety-wise in recent days, holds just as accurately for taxis.

In 2014 a Halifax cabbie was convicted of sexually attacking a female passenger.

And far as the claim that cabbies everywhere are invariably both better regulated and screened, between 2014 and 2015, 100 drivers with known criminal records (including convictions for

drug dealing and offences barring them from driving) were licensed by taxi companies in the U.K. jurisdictions of Liverpool and Sefton.

On a personal note, I have been made to feel uncomfortable by both taxi and Uber drivers.

The former have expressed — unsolicited, and on more than one occasion — their opposition to same-sex marriage, while the latter have remarked, questionably, on my personal habits.

There was, for instance, the Uber driver who dropped me off one day at a waxing salon.

"Your boyfriend must be pretty stoked about your appointment today," he said, clearly presuming I was there for a Brazilian wax; I was getting my moustache removed.

All this is to say, if you're a young woman who travels alone, the argument that one form of transportation is disproportionately more dangerous than another is unconvincing.

Uber may not be a bastion of safety but I doubt it is any more hazardous than a conventional cab, or at other times, a walk down an unlit street. (Or for that matter, a well-lit one).

What it is, however, is new. And new things scare us.

But despite the cash-free ride and the slick marketing, it's an old idea: in the name of convenience we entrust our lives to people we have not met before, and we hope for the best.

Taking a ride with Uber or an old-fashioned cab, we're flouting a piece of classic advice from my mother, and yours: "Never get into cars with strangers."

Emma Teitel is a national columnist for the Toronto Star.

ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

Labiaplasty trend shows vagina shame is real — and really preventable

Oh, vaginas.

We love to ogle them (Game of Thrones is practically addicted) — except, not them, per se, so much as the kind that resembles the pale, U-shaped nothingness between Barbie's legs.

If we were that keen to look at all vaginas, girls in the U.S. might not be seeking plastic surgery for medically questionable labiaplasty, which isn't even recommended for adult women by the Society of Obstetricians and Gynecologists of Canada.

The procedure alters the look of women's genitals generally for the sake of altering the look of women's genitals.

It has not been proven to increase pleasure, and could actually reduce it via scarring, according to the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. "Vaginal rejuvenation" sold to older women is pure marketing fantasy, the SOGC says. And while the procedure is sometimes done to relieve labia pain (yes, a thing) it's rarely advertised that way.

Perhaps that's why last year saw an 80 per cent increase in the number of girls under 18 who got labiaplasty in the U.S. (400 in total), according to the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery. To combat the rates of labiaplasty in both countries, gynecologists are being told to offer counselling to patients — especially young patients — and to help women appreciate their own anatomy. In other words:

Women don't know enough about their vaginas to know what normal looks like.

The fact is, vaginas are more varied than apple species. They have more diversity than a Liberal cabinet. And they do not all look like taut hammocks.

I'm embarrassed to say, I had no idea how different they could look until I came across an artist who makes casts of women's vaginas to convince them their bits look good. All the shapes and sizes genuinely shocked me, but why wouldn't they? The vagina in pop culture is more uniform than the houseplant.

Perhaps if we showed that variety and talked about how vaginas function (did you know the labia change during pregnancy and menopause?), we might not have this labiaplasty problem.

Instead, the idea that vaginas are gross/dirty/unpleasant endures. Women are still marketed vaginal wipes (penises being perpetually fresh). Trolls demean women with the C-word. Donald Trump slaps Hillary Clinton's "woman card," reduces her entire campaign to her vagina, and it's no compliment.

I'm not smitten with the love-your-body-movement, which sets a sky-high bar for self-worship. But I could get behind a love-your-vagina spinoff, especially one targeted to girls. After all, what's the point of growing up in Internet age, if not to finally free the V?

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'I spoke of unconditional love'



Michael Coren is a well-known author, radio personality, columnist, Metro contributor and speaker, who, until last year, was considered a champion of social conservatism in Canada.

Coren has had a profound spiritual and personal change of heart. His book, *Epiphany: A Christian's Change of Heart & Mind over Same-Sex Marriage*, is an examination of how and why that happened.

In the summer of 2015 I was asked to preach at Toronto's Metropolitan Community Church (MCC). MCC is not exclusively gay but its central theme, its charisma if you like, is outreach to LGBT people, and in all of its many international branches it is at the heart of the struggle for full equality. Indeed, in Toronto its leader, Brent Hawkes, is one of the most high-profile, visible, and eloquent leaders of the gay community. It was Brent who invited me to speak at church —

the we had known each other for years because we often appeared on opposing sides on television and radio panels; neither of us ever thought we'd be embracing, close to tears, in front of the altar of his church. I'd spoken to hundreds of groups for more than a decade and hadn't felt nervous for a long time but was most definitely nervous this time. How many of these people had I hurt, how many had

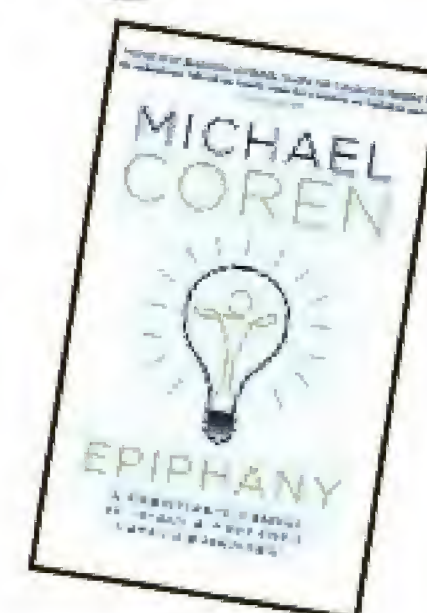
lives made more difficult by my writing and broadcasting? I'd never hated but I had given an intellectual veneer to the anti-gay movement, had enabled — even unintentionally — some muddy bigotry. Yes, I was nervous, and a little ashamed.

There were two services, with a combined congregation of around seven hundred men, women, and some children. And as I walked in on that hot, rainy morning, I was sensing no condemnation, no

cynicism, no grudges. As an emotionally constipated Englishman, I was several times close to weeping as I witnessed a feeling of authentic Christian community that I have, with all due respect, not always found in mainstream church settings. I saw collectives of warmth and support, groups of people from various ethnicities, backgrounds, sexualities, and

experiences united in acceptance. After so many months of abuse, accusations, and firings, my sense of liberation was exquisite. I told them that as a straight man who had reversed his position on gay rights and equal marriage, I had recently experienced a glimpse of a shadow of a whiff of what it must be like to be a gay Christian. I said that some of the finest Christians I had ever met had been people who were

gay and had remained true to Jesus Christ. I said that remaining Christian in the face of hostility and even vitriol was an indication of an enormous depth of faith and was a living, fleshy example of a glorious mystery. I spoke of un-



conditional love, of what scripture actually said about sexuality rather than the popular and misguided caricature of Biblical truth that we are so often offered. I said that the only absolutes were grace and love. Never has a standing ovation felt so true, so good, and so pure.

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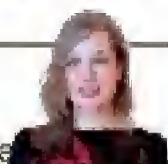
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Drawing cancer

INTERVIEW

Author's graphic memoir depicts her struggle with illness

Sue Carter
For Metro Canada



Teva Harrison has been drawing her entire life. Her mother is an artist and so, growing up, art supplies were considered toys. But in 2013, just prior to being diagnosed with stage-four metastatic breast cancer at the age of 37, Harrison — who studied fine art in Seattle — hadn't been creating much personal work. She was too excited and busy with her new director of marketing position at the Nature Conservatory of Canada, not to mention the fun, rich life she shares with her husband, David.

After the diagnosis, Harrison began drawing again as a way of centering and calming herself. "It was definitely something I missed in my life, if not consciously, but subconsciously. It was a place of safety and comfort," she says, describing her early art as "pretty little things that made me smile." On the encouragement of a Toronto hospital psychiatrist, she began creating more personal images. Initially they reflected her childhood memories — both positive and negative. "Things disappear when people die. This is how we lose information and stories and experience, and just documenting moments that were magical to me, or really difficult for me accomplished different things," she says.

When she felt ready to think more about the cancer, and the volcano of physical and emotional pain she was experiencing, Harrison began sketching journal-like comics. But she wasn't ready to reveal those drawings to family or friends quite yet. That wasn't until later, when she showed them to a group of supportive friends, also with metastatic breast cancer, who encouraged Harrison to share her "universal experience." So Harrison put her comic illustrations on a private blog, where they gained her an almost instant following. The drawings were then published serially by The



At 37, Teva Harrison's world turned upside down when she was diagnosed with incurable breast cancer, which means treatment for the rest of her life. To cope, she started to draw and write. The result is a powerful graphic memoir called *In-Between Days*. CARLOS OSORIO/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Walrus, and are now available as a graphic memoir, *In-Between Days*, published by House of Anansi Press.

Told through a series of black-and-white drawings and diary-like entries, *In-Between Days* is a raw, unflinchingly honest, and occasionally joyful account of Harrison's day-to-day life, from awkward social situations ("So what do you do?" a stranger asks) to the physical realities of early menopause. As a vegan, she questions the "selfish" hypocrisies of using drugs tested on animals. And although she is careful about hope, calling it "delicious, heady stuff," it is there nonetheless, in small acts, like her skin-care regiment and

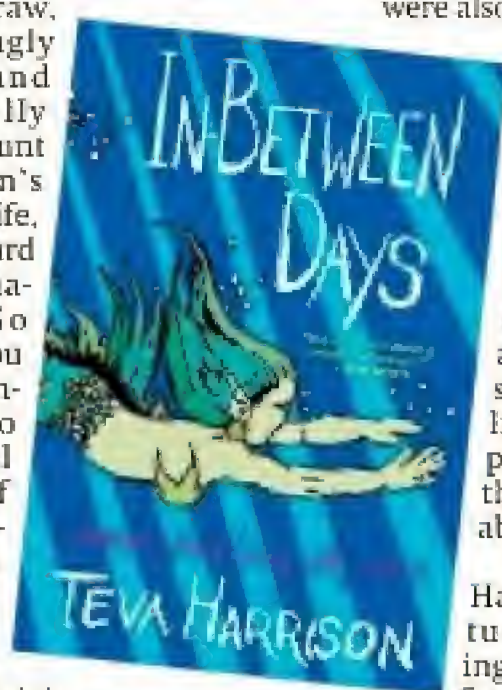
need to wear seatbelts, and in the larger-than-life love she feels for her husband.

Harrison also dedicates a section of the book to her family legacy, namely several female members who were also diagnosed with breast cancer.

"It was really important to me to include that part in a large way because I don't really believe in the continuance of self," she says. "But we do live on in other people through the stories we tell about them."

These days, Harrison has returned to drawing joyful images, from flowers and birds to dinosaurs eating cake. A collection of them will appear in her *Joyful Living Colouring Book*, coming in November. "The imagery is all about things that make me happy," she says. "I spent so long drawing about cancer, though I don't think I'm done yet."

Sue Carter is the editor at Quill & Quire magazine.

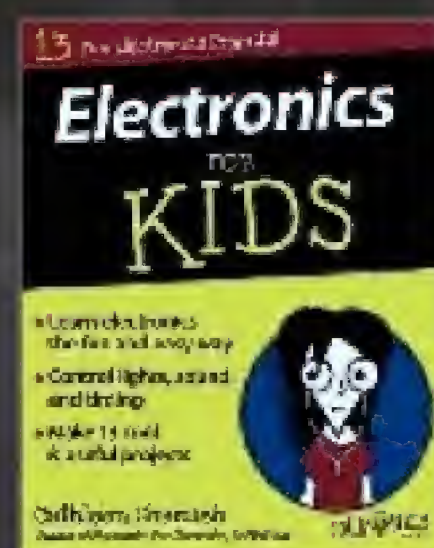


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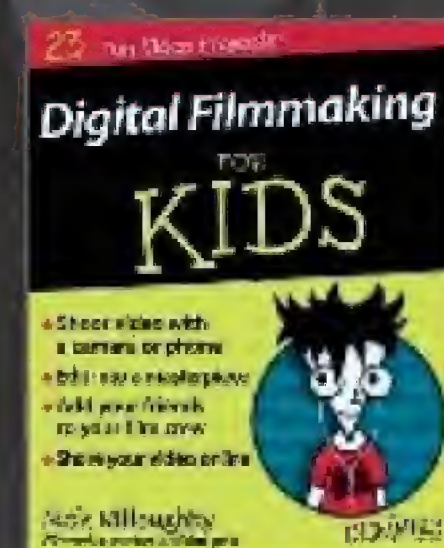
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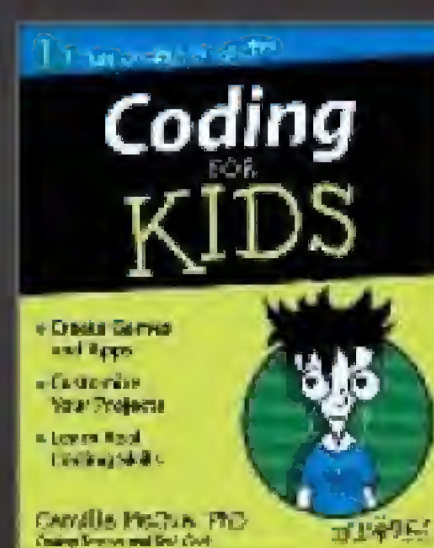
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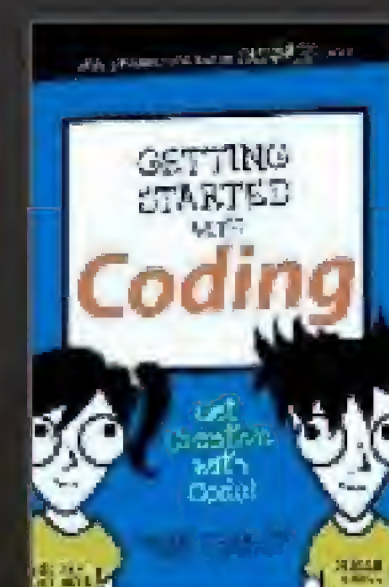
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The smooth criminal celebrates a decade

Criminal: 10th Anniversary Special

BY: Ed Brubaker and Sean Phillips

PUBLISHER: Image Comics

Mike Donachie
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It's not really about a kung fu werewolf, but it sort of is.

It's 10 years since the start of Criminal, the crime series

by Brubaker (who wrote the book that led to the movie Captain America: The Winter Soldier) and Phillips, and it's still the gold standard of comic books. The whole series is available in book form, but its anniversary has been marked with this special magazine-sized book, which features the return of some old favourites.

Killer, gangster and useless father Teeg Lawless is back, and his young son Tracy is along for the ride. Dad has a nasty job to do, and the kid is being forced to help. He won't enjoy the trip.

But he does have a kung fu werewolf for company, in the comic book he's reading. The main story is strong, but the best part of this is the book-within-a-book, with several pages of 70s-style action featuring a hairy, high-kicking Peter Parker allegory.

The Criminal special works as a standalone story, if you haven't read the other books. But you should.

BOOK BRIEF

Biography reveals randy side of McCartney

Sir Paul McCartney once had a foursome. And we're not talking a friendly game of golf. The ménage-a-quatre — involving McCartney and three willing women — is just one of the many salacious revelations contained in author Philip Norman's authorized biography of the former Beatle, this one recounted by his cousin Mike Robbins. Among the more eyebrow-raising details in Norman's book:

- McCartney's father's advice on sex was to watch dogs copulating.
- Manager Brian Epstein would arrange to have a high-priced prostitute available to each of the Beatles during tours of the U.S.
- Girlfriend Dot Rhone changed her looks to resemble French sexpot Brigitte Bardot.
- The Fab Four shared a room in the early days and the night George Harrison, then 17, lost his virginity, the other three cheered and clapped afterward.

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Who is Becky with the Good Hair?

Since Beyoncé dropped her visual album Lemonade, internet sleuths have been trying to figure out who the mysterious "Becky with the good hair" is. Here, the prime suspects. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Rita Ora

Evidence: The Jay Z protégé Snapchatted herself in a bra with illustrated lemons on it while wearing a "J" pendant. She then Single White Female-ed Beyoncé by wearing the same Gucci jumpsuit from Bey's Formation video.

Hair: Fabulous

Is she Becky? Actually, we're pretty sure she thinks she's Beyoncé.



Mya

Evidence: When asked by TMZ if Beyoncé was digging up old rumours that Mya had an affair with Jay Z, the Lady Marmalade singer declared herself "not guilty."

Hair: Well, in TMZ's video it's in a ponytail under a baseball cap, so... exonerated?

Is she Becky? No way — don't pull Mya into this, TMZ!



Iggy Azalea

Evidence: Iggy volunteered that she had been called out as Becky in the past, but it had nothing to do with Jay Z. "Generalizing any race by calling them one stereotypical name for said race, I personally don't think is very cool," she tweeted, adding, "Do you know how many times ppl have called me BECKY?"

Hair: Becky-ish

Is she Becky? The Becky? No. A Becky? Arguably.



Lori Loughlin

Evidence: Loughlin retweeted a meme of her Full House character, captioned "Becky... with the good hair," commenting, "wasn't me!"

Hair: Good? It's great!

Is she Becky? She will always be Becky, but something tells us that if Jay Z was only binge-watching Fuller House, Beyoncé wouldn't be wielding a baseball bat.

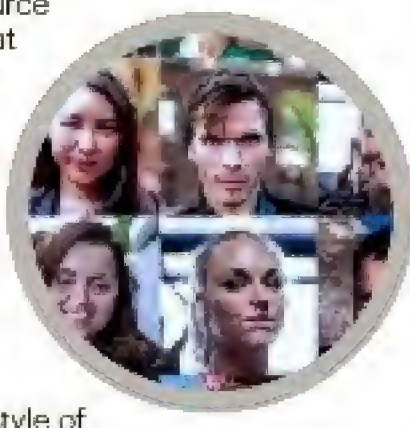


Everyone

Evidence: A source told Page Six that "Becky with the good hair" is "many girls" that Jay Z has strayed with, all of which, presumably, had overpoweringly beautiful hairstyles.

Hair: Every hairstyle of the rainbow.

Are they Becky? Like the killers in Scream, it wouldn't surprise us if there was more than one.



You

Evidence: Go and pick up another bottle of that shampoo, because you are "Becky with the good hair"! Or so goes the logic of Beyoncé's father Matthew Knowles, who deflected lyrics suggesting that he hit Beyoncé with a strange interpretation. "Can I tell you who she's talking about? She's talking about you," he told E! News. "You put that in context for you personally. She's talking about you and everybody that is you, that's who she's talking about."

Hair: It's good... just like in the song!

Are you Becky? If you have to ask, it's too late.





JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

When Prince was on New Girl

THE SHOW: *New Girl*, Season 3, Episode 14 (Fox)
THE MOMENT: Prince's magic

Remarkably, Jess (Zooey Deschanel) and her friends are at a party at Prince's house. Prince, intuiting that Jess needs him, pulls her aside to impart his wisdom.

In a manic montage, he has her try on outfits until she finds the perfect gown. Then he creams her at ping-pong. "14-0," he says.

"I don't know what I'm supposed to be learning here," she sputters. "15-0," he says.

He locks her in a dark room. Then he's in the room. Then they're outside watching a Monarch butterfly.

"I think I understand now," Jess says.

The butterfly lands on Prince's shoulder. "Now do you?" he asks. "No!" she cries. Fox re-ran this episode Tuesday night, as fans still reel from Prince's death.

You feel joyous wish-fulfillment throughout it. It was a key moment for the series: Jess finally tells Nick (Jake Johnson) she loves him. You can imagine the writers saying, "What if we



Prince was the perfect person to play guru to Zooey Deschanel's Jess in *New Girl*. CONTRIBUTED

got someone cool and guru-y — someone like Prince — to make her brave?"

Miraculously, Prince agreed, and embraced with deadpan relish his guru persona, and even pulled Jess on stage with him to do a rocking duet.

The last scene, in which the gang is back on their sofa, star-

ing stunned into space, wasn't meant to be a eulogy, but it works as one.

"Did that really happen?" someone asks.

Was Prince really here? Did we get to spend time with him for a while?

"What do we do tomorrow?" asks Schmidt (Max Greenfield).

"Go to work? Get on with our lives?" It's the question we all ask, when someone who touched us leaves too soon.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

BIOGRAPHICAL RESEARCH

Harper Lee wrote article for FBI agents

Charles J. Shields — whose updated Harper Lee biography, *Mockingbird*, was released Tuesday — says the late author wrote an unsigned article for a magazine published by former FBI agents about the case in Truman Capote's non-fiction novel *In Cold Blood*.

Mockingbird: A Portrait of Harper Lee, from Scout to Go Set a Watchman was originally published by Henry Holt in 2006.

Harper Lee accompanied Capote in March 1960 on his assignment from *The New Yorker* to research the murder of four members of the Clutter family in rural Kansas.

Capote later published the book *In Cold Blood* about the case in 1966.

Shields told the British newspaper *The Guardian* how he found the story. During his research for the update of his biography, Shields found an

item in a Garden City, Kansas newspaper announcing that an article about the Federal Bureau of Investigation's work on the case would appear in *Grapevine*, a magazine published by the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI for its membership.

The notice, from February 1960, read, in part: "Nelle Harper Lee, young writer who came to Garden City with Truman Capote to gather material for

a *New Yorker* magazine article on the Clutter case, wrote the piece for *Grapevine*. Miss Harper's first novel is due for publication by Random House this spring and advance reports say it is bound to be a success."

That novel was, of course, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, which was published in July 1960, went on to become a bestseller and won the Pulitzer Prize for literature the following year.

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GOSSIP

Custody battle continues for former 'Real Housewife'

A B.C. Supreme Court judge has refused to change an order that grants sole custody of an eight-year-old girl to the ex-husband of one of the former stars of the now-defunct TV show *Real Housewives of Vancouver*.

Jody Lynne Claman went to court asking for a stay of an earlier order when a judge found her in contempt of court and awarded full parenting responsibilities to the father, Eran Friedlander.

Justice Miriam Gropper said in an earlier ruling after a divorce hearing that Claman was manipulative and lied and ordered that the parents

have joint custody and that she pay her ex-husband nearly \$600,000.

Friedlander gained sole custody after going back to court, claiming Claman was in contempt for breaching the custody arrangement.

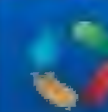
Claman is appealing the initial ruling and asked that the custody order be stayed until the high court hears her case.

While the appeal will be heard in September, a ruling released Wednesday has Gropper refusing to change the custody order, saying Claman failed to show there would be irreparable harm to herself or her daughter. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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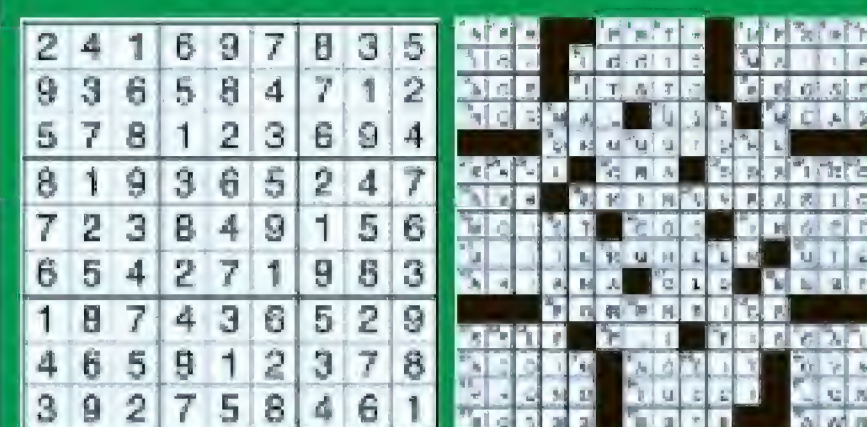
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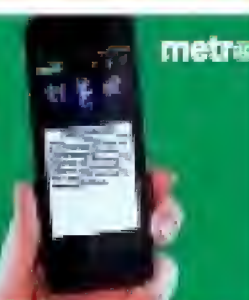


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City homes with a village vibe

Project overview

Mountain-inspired architecture gives Graydon Hill Altius townhomes a village vibe, and being on the edge of a nature preserve with views of Heritage Valley reinforces that. Yet, the upscale, new construction community offers all the modern conveniences that south west Edmonton has to offer — it's a balance that attracts young families, students and professionals alike.

Housing amenities

All Altius townhomes offer laminate flooring, a six-appliance package and colour consultation for buyers. Interiors also boast open floor plans, sleek, dark kitchen cabinetry and large windows. There's private balconies and a coveted attached garage for each unit.

In the neighbourhood

Southwest Edmonton is awash with shopping, dining and entertainment options at South Edmonton Common, but the area also boasts golf, all-level schools (with more planned), fitness and medical services/facilities. A few minutes away, Highway 2 provides quick access to the airport and points south.

Location and transit

Just off Ellerslie Road and minutes from the Anthony Henday and Highway 2, Graydon Hill is ideally situated for commuting by car or public transit. A future LRT extension will run down 111 St. and near Graydon Hill to the Heritage Valley Town Centre. Transit and shopping options are also at the Currents and South Edmonton Common.

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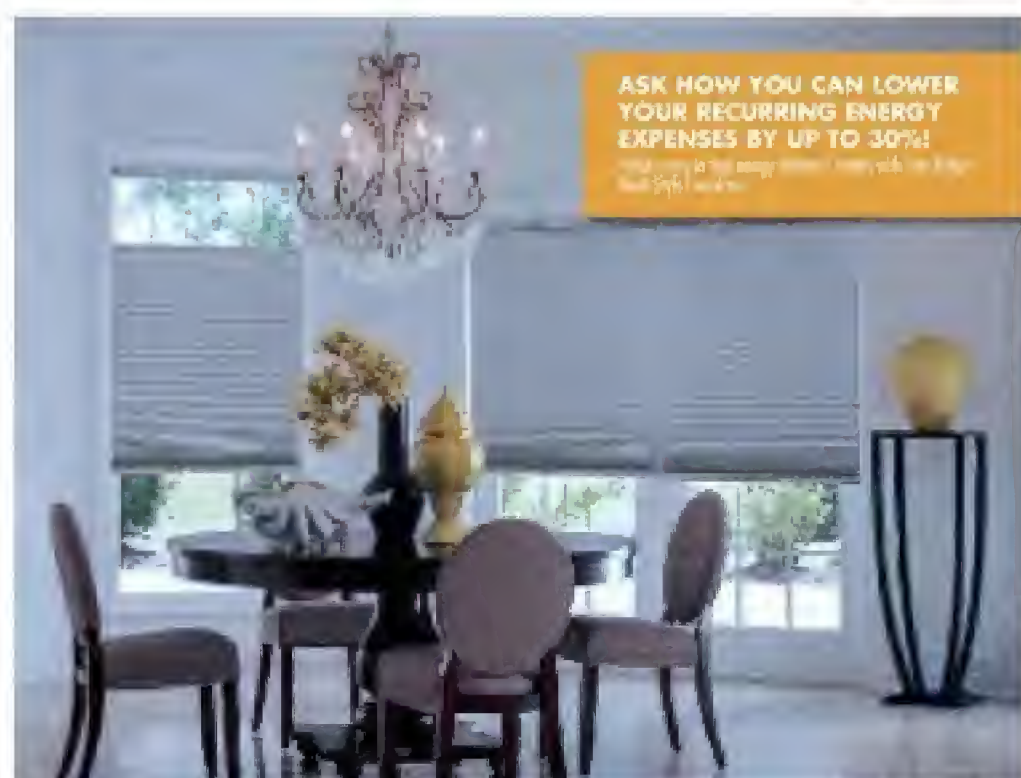


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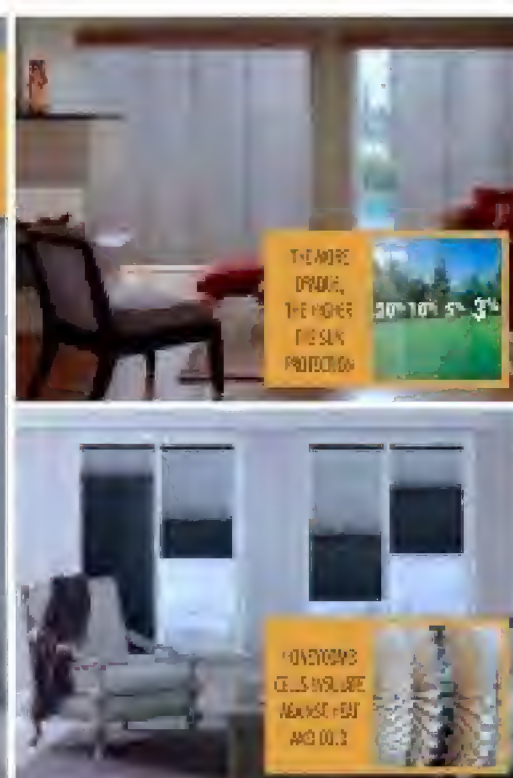
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Working antiques into your decor

MIX AND MATCH

Vintage pieces help to create unique look

The introduction of antiques into your home can provide a beautiful layer of design depth.

The trick is to select just a few pieces you love and work them into your decor. Loving antiques doesn't mean filling each room from top to bottom to create a reproduction of a historic home. Vintage pieces can easily complement contemporary furniture and be every bit as functional and, because most are one-of-a-kind, they help to create a look individual to you.

A few great ways to work these amazing pieces into your designs:

Reworked antiques

The French 18th-century Bergère chair has been reproduced for literally hundreds of years and has inspired many other chairs like it.

The exposed wood is sometimes painted and sometimes stained. Nothing can beat the



Vintage pieces can easily complement contemporary furniture, like this 18th century gold gilt French side chair. GLEN PELOSO/FOR TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

patina of an antique chair and, once the chair is recovered it becomes a brilliant combination of old and new.

Combined time periods

The dining table doesn't need to be the eight-piece set that you got at your local furni-

ture store.

The combination of elements from various time periods allows you to create a truly

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One of the most popular antique selections currently is mid-century modern.

When creating a room that has the feel of mid-century modern, injecting a piece that is truly from that period can ground the look you are attempting to achieve.

The current reproductions of the time period are usually the most iconic elements from the era.

unique look.

Also, the combination of wood colours provides an attractive texture and additional layer to the design of the room.

The key to success when combining is to stay within the same time period or go more than two time periods apart so the final "look" is clearly intentional.

Repurposed antiquity

The draper's table, repurposed as a credenza/desk, retains its rich, wooden beauty and spun

details of the leg.

But it needed a new job title since it's no longer in use as an 18th-century work table in a draper's shop. Ideally, the antiques in your home should serve a purpose, allowing you to live in your home as opposed to just look at it.

Strength and balance

If you are working with strong architectural details like ornate coffers, dental details on the crown moulding, or extra tall and detailed doors, you need furniture and accessories to provide balance.

Conversely, if you are drawn to design elements that are commanding — such as wall treatments — the additional visual strength provided by antiques are a worthy match.

The esthetic impact of each element creates a visual balance.

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Maas: 'Obviously this was a dream job for me'

CFL

First-time head coach leads Eskimos in title defence

Jason Maas says friends and family have asked him if he's nervous going from a coach of an expansion team to head coach of the defending Grey Cup champions.

"Talking to several people in my close-knit circle, that was the one question that came up," Maas said Wednesday on a conference call.

Maas was the offensive co-ordinator of the Ottawa Redblacks their first three seasons in the CFL.

The Edmonton Eskimos, who beat the Redblacks to win the 2015 Grey Cup, gave Maas his first head-coaching gig in December when Chris Jones departed for the Saskatchewan Roughriders.

"I knew it was the right job

for me," Maas said. "When you take over the defending Grey Cup champion, that means you have some quality people here. I look forward to that challenge and building on that culture that they've established here and continuing winning."

"I know what kind of organization we are here. I just want to be a part of that. There's pressure every year in Edmonton to win. I know everyone's goal is that, but it is true here."

The former quarterback has closed a football circle as he was an Eskimo for a combined nine seasons and a member of Edmonton's Grey Cup teams in 2003 and 2005.

"In my grand scheme of thinking, it was always to get back to Edmonton at some point," Maas said. "Obviously this was a dream job for me."

CFL main camps open May 28. The Eskimos kick off defence of the Grey Cup at home against the Redblacks on June 25.

Maas says he's already drawing on the vast experience of defensive co-ordinator and assistant coach Mike Benevides. The B.C. Lions were 33-21 and made the playoffs the three seasons Benevides was head coach from 2012 to 2014.

"We talk daily. Sometimes a couple times a day," Maas said. "He's a world full of knowledge."

"He's got a bunch of it being in the league for as long as he has and coaching as long as



Jason Maas spent the past three seasons as the offensive co-ordinator of the Redblacks.

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he has. He's done everything — special teams, defensive co-ordinator, position coach to head coach. He's been successful at every step. I definitely rely on him."

The 40-year-old from Beaver Dam, Wisc., heads into 2016 with continuity where it counts

at quarterback. The Eskimos re-signed pivot Mike Reilly to a two-year contract earlier this month.

After missing two months of 2015 with a knee injury suffered in the season-opener, Reilly went 10-0 upon his return as a starter to conclude the regu-

lar season. He was named the Grey Cup MVP completing 21 of 35 passes for 269 yards and two touchdowns.

"We're athletic, we're a big team," Maas said. "We've got the continuity back for the most part. They're winners, they finish." THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL PLAYOFFS

Islanders get leg up on Bolts

Shane Prince scored twice during a three-goal first period and John Tavares had a goal and an assist in the New York Islanders' 5-3 victory over the Tampa Bay Lightning on Wednesday night in Game 1 of their second-round playoff series.

Taking up where he left off in helping the Islanders advance beyond the first round for the first time in 23 years, Tavares assisted on Travis Hamonic's goal that erased an early deficit and later scored his sixth post-season goal on a blistering shot from the left circle to give New York a 4-1 lead midway through the second.

GAME 1 In Tampa, Fla.



Tampa Bay pulled to 4-3 on third-period goals by Nikita Kucherov and Valteri Filppula before Cal Clutterbuck's empty-netter sealed the victory in the final minute.

Thomas Greiss, who won one game in overtime and two in double overtime against Florida, finished with 33 saves for the Islanders.

Game 2 is Saturday at Amalie Arena. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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The Redblacks wanted compensation for Maas's departure, but the CFL announced earlier this month there would not be any.

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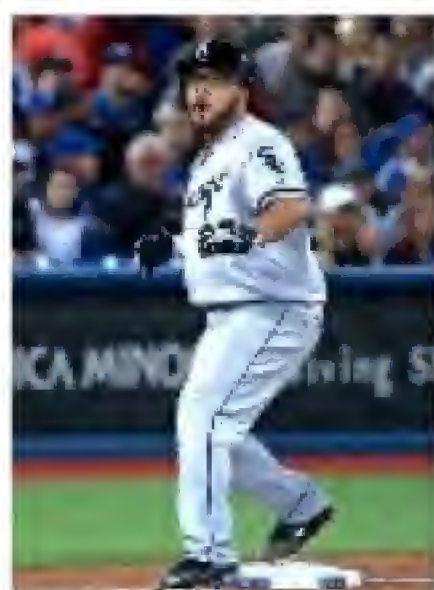
Ks keep Jays in check

Dioner Navarro and Austin Jackson had back-to-back triples to lead the Chicago White Sox past the Toronto Blue Jays 4-0 on Wednesday night.

Jose Quintana (3-1) struck out 10 with four hits over six innings for the White Sox (16-6), who have won six straight. Relievers Zach Duke and Nate Jones each pitched an inning for Chicago before closer David Robertson came in for the ninth.

Marco Estrada (1-2) pitched 6-2/3 innings for the Jays (10-13), striking out five and giving up three runs on three hits.

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Dioner Navarro GETTY IMAGES

IN BRIEF

Bishop, Holtby, Quick named Vezina finalists

Ben Bishop of the Tampa Bay Lightning, Braden Holtby of the Washington Capitals and Jonathan Quick of the Los Angeles Kings are the three finalists for the 2015-16 Vezina Trophy awarded to the NHL's best goaltender.

The league announced the finalists on Wednesday.

The general managers of all 30 NHL teams submitted ballots for the Vezina Trophy at the end of the regular season. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Olympic flame passed off to Rio Games organizers

The Olympic flame was handed to organizers of the Rio de Janeiro Games in Athens on Wednesday, 100 days before the opening ceremony in Brazil.

Dressed as a high priestess, actress Katerina Lehou led the brief ceremony at the Panathenian Stadium, a horseshoe-shaped marble venue where the first modern Olympics were held in 1896.

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NBA PLAYOFFS

Celtics star expected back for Game 6

Celtics coach Brad Stevens says that all signs point toward Isaiah Thomas being able to play in Game 6 against the Hawks.

Stevens said Wednesday that he'd gotten all positive updates on the all-star guard's status, who limped to the locker-room with a mild left ankle sprain in the closing minutes of Tuesday's 110-83 loss in Atlanta.

Boston — trailing 3-2 — hosts Atlanta Thursday night.

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Isaiah Thomas GETTY IMAGES

RECIPE Grilled Shrimp Guacamole Salad



PHOTO: MAYA VISNYEI

Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

We think any recipe that has guacamole in the title rates high, but if it also features shrimp and comes together in a snap then we call that one a winner.

Ready in
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 10 minutes

- Ingredients**
- 200g raw shrimp
 - Olive oil
 - Salad leaves
 - 1 avocado, diced
 - Handful of cherry tomatoes, cut in half
 - Cilantro, chopped to garnish

- For the dressing:
- Juice of 1 lime
 - 1 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
 - ½ clove garlic, crushed
 - 1 jalapeno pepper, diced (optional, if you like a bit of heat)
 - Salt and pepper

Directions

1. Toss the shrimp in a little bit of olive oil and salt and pepper. Either put the shrimp on skewers and place on a hot barbecue grill, or put a cast iron griddle on the barbecue and cook the shrimp in the hot pan. For both methods, cook the shrimp for only a minute or so on each side – just until the shrimp is pink. Set aside while you make the salad.
2. Artfully arrange the salad leaves, avocado, and tomatoes on a plate – it'll taste the same either way, really. Whisk the dressing ingredients together and season to taste. Drizzle dressing over salad and put shrimp on top. Garnish with the fresh coriander.

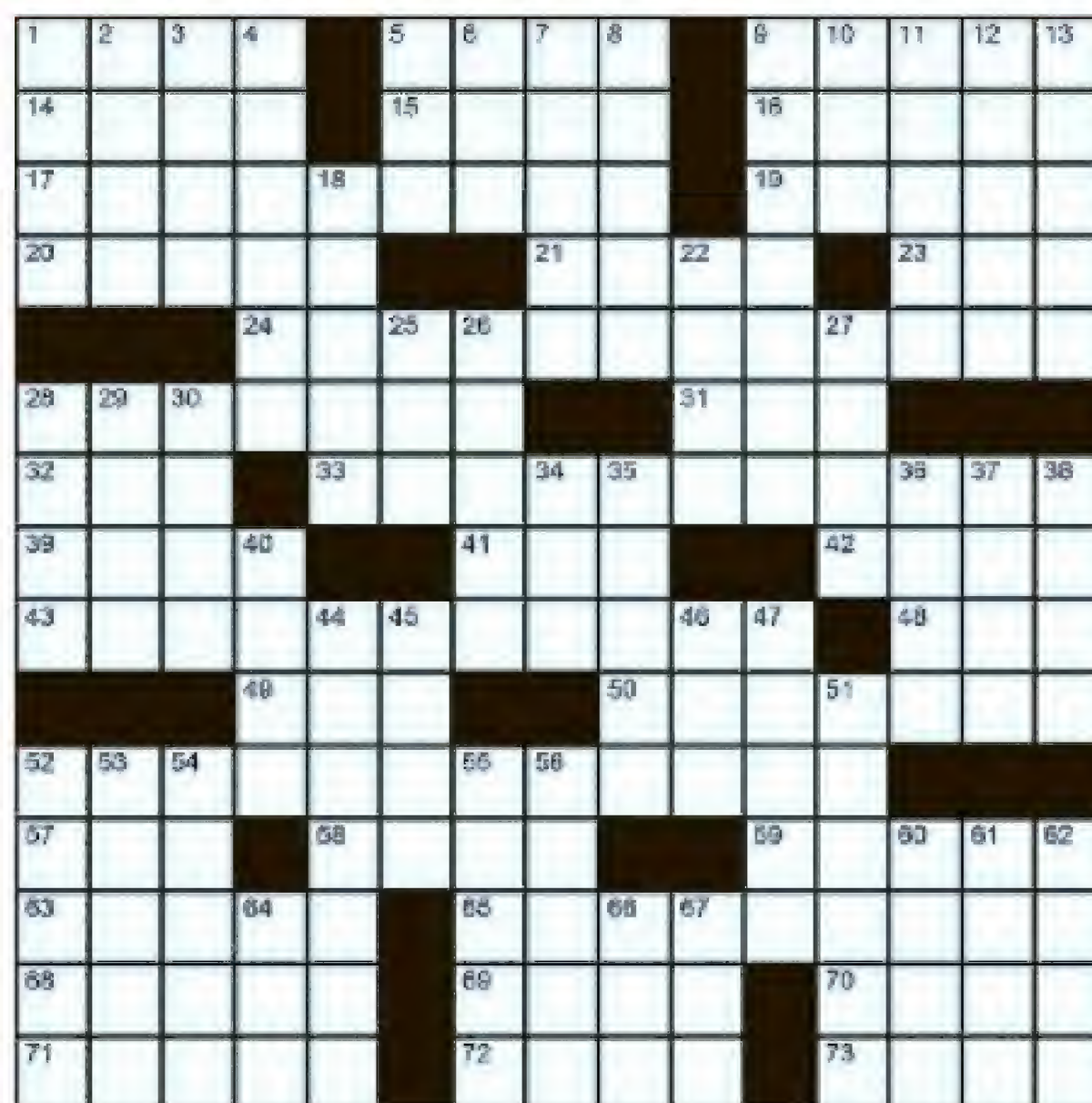
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ACROSS

1. Spouse
5. Show snippet
9. Mr. Potato Head stick-ons
14. Panache
15. Drove
16. Spiritless, to Shakespeare
17. The Guess Who's 'tart' tune: 2 wds.
19. Brian Bowman's job in Winnipeg
20. Bristly hairs
21. Jai _
23. Can. borderer
24. As per #33-Across... Composer of 1875 opera Carmen: 2 wds.
28. "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air" star Alfonso
31. Sportily succeed
32. 'Meth' suffix
33. The Canadian Opera Company's production of Carmen is currently on stage at the _ _ Centre for the Performing Arts, in Toronto
39. Belonging to the Pittsburgh Steelers org.
41. Fi's front
42. Me, she or him [abbr.]
43. Gleaming bird of prey: 2 wds.
48. Parisian summer
49. Prefix to 'culture' (Beekeeping)
50. As per #24-Across... French author of the novella Carmen on which the famous opera is based, Prosper _ (b.1803 - d.1870)
52. Backyard furniture



57. Ms. Ortiz
58. Part
59. Bay window
63. David's Goliath-slaying weapon
65. Siren sounder
68. Madonna's "Evita" (1996) role, Eva _
69. Fleck

70. Genuine
71. Retailer's establishment
72. Built-up talk
73. Thailand neighbour

DOWN

1. Clutter
2. _ vera
3. Pulled tightly
4. Anger
5. Grand _ (Wine classification)
6. Law, in Laval
7. Luggage's 'label': 2 wds.

8. 16th-century English dramatist George
9. Country in southwest Africa where Windhoek is the capital city
10. Granny: German
11. Russian spacecraft
12. Irregularly edged
13. Fender guitar,

- familiarly
18. " _ _ I care!" (Go ahead!)
22. "Even _ _ speak..."
25. Gold: Spanish
26. Awaken
27. Clouseau's 191 rank
28. Called
29. Data
30. Canadian telecom company
34. Elvis' label
35. 18th Greek letter
36. City near Provo, Utah
37. Memo
38. Snick-or- _
40. Mount Rushmore state, _ _
44. Table centerpiece with tiered bowls
45. Robert De _
46. Floral necklace
47. Mr. Flynn
51. Canadian newspapers/TV magnate Mr. Asper (b.1932 - d.2003)
52. Bee-ish bugs
53. Cove
54. Setting in 'The Mummy' flicks
55. Wear florals with checks, perhaps
56. Like health store 'hearts'
60. Early person of Peru
61. Canyon lingerer
62. Permits
64. Hide _ hair
66. Jazz style
67. Sport _ (All-purpose vehicle)

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Warning! Your relations with authority figures — bosses, VIPs, parents and teachers plus the police — will have some surprises and possible conflicts today. Tread carefully.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Travel plans will be cancelled, delayed or rescheduled today. Surprise news might affect you, especially regarding publishing, legal or medical matters. School plans might be rescheduled.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Make sure that you know what's happening with inheritances, insurance issues and anything regarding shared property, because something unexpected will impact these areas today.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Relations with partners and close friends are a bit dicey today. Someone might demand more freedom in the relationship. Or this person might surprise you in a different way. Be ready for something unexpected.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Your work routine will be interrupted because of computer crashes, canceled meetings, staff shortages or broken equipment. Allow extra time for wiggle room to deal with this.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
This is an accident-prone day for your kids or children you work with; therefore be wise and be extra vigilant. Social occasions and sports are also subject to cancellations and accidents.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Small appliances might break down today or minor breakages at home could occur because something will interrupt your daily routine. Likewise be patient with sudden requests from family members.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
This is an accident-prone day for your sign, so pay attention to everything you say and do. Be alert. (The world needs more people who are alert.)

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You might find money today; you might lose money. Keep an eye on your possessions as well, because this is an unpredictable day.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
It's a crapshoot today. The Moon is in your sign, dancing with wild, wacky Uranus. This might make you obsessed with something unusual. (Lighten up.)

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You will feel restless today. Don't worry about this, because many people feel this way today. Fear not; this feeling is gone by tomorrow.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
A friend might say or do something that surprises you. Alternatively, you might meet someone who is a real character, because this is not a boring day.

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